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RESPONSE

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action of the United States Patent and Trademark Office mailed on October 22, 2004, the time for response to which extending to and including January 22, 2005, Applicants respectfully requests consideration and entry of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-5 are pending in this application. Claims 1-5 have been rejected but were deemed to be allowable upon submission of a Terminal Disclaimer. Claim 1 is independent.

The Examiner is thanked for the indicated allowability of claims 1-5. Those claims have been maintained unchanged and, as explained below, a Terminal Disclaimer has been submitted herewith.

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